

### United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development

Idaho State Office

Idaho AN No. 1604 (2006-B)

August 5, 2004

SUBJECT: State Issuances

TO: All Employees

USDA, Rural Development, Idaho

### PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

The purpose of this Administrative Notice (AN) is to clarify the use of State issuances and to provide guidance to employees on the preparation and distribution of State Administrative Notices (AN's), State Instruction, and State Procedure Notices (PN's).

### COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

This AN replaces Idaho AN No. 1495, dated February 19, 2002, which expired February 28, 2003. This AN provides updated information and guidance on State issuances and their preparation.

### **IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:**

In accordance with RD Instruction 2006-B, <u>State issuances should be limited to those necessary to supplement National issuances</u>. *They may not alter the Agency's policies or procedures*.

The State Director has designated Trish Collier, State Civil Rights Manager/Management Control Coordinator (MCC), as the person responsible for coordination, clearance, and release of State issuances; the maintenance of the State issuance system; and the recommendation of improvements in issuances and operations when needed.

EXPIRATION DATE: August 31, 2005

FILING INSTRUCTIONS: Preceding RD Instruction 2006-B

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The State Director has designated Candy Moore, Secretary to the State Director (PIC), as the responsible person for maintaining the 'official' State Office Procedure Manuals and Obsolete Procedure Manuals, and for maintaining the Table of Contents and Checklist of State issuances/directives. *Procedure filing must be accomplished in a timely manner to ensure compliance with Agency regulations*.

Area Directors are responsible for the maintenance of procedure manuals at the area level and the various area duty locations. *Procedure filing must be accomplished in a timely manner to ensure compliance with Agency regulations*.

RD Instruction 2006-B, authorizes State Directors to approve and distribute the following types of issuances:

2006.53(a)(1), State Administrative Notices (AN's) - temporary issuances which may be used to provide limited information or interpretation to clarify existing policies and procedures and should be clearly and simply written. AN's may not be used to modify, change, or establish policies or procedures. AN's are directed to the 'position' and not the 'office'. Attachment 5 is a list of the current working titles that must be used on AN's. State AN's are to follow the format shown in the attached sample (Attachment 2), and must be printed on the National approved letterhead which is available to all employees on each server in the Shared Directory. State AN's must always be on green paper and filed preceding the National Instruction and National AN's. All Idaho AN's are available on the INTRAnet at <a href="http://teamrd.usda.gov/rd/id/index.htm">http://teamrd.usda.gov/rd/id/index.htm</a>. In the near future they will also be available by going to <a href="http://teamrd.usda.gov">http://teamrd.usda.gov</a> and selecting 'State Intranets' and then selecting 'Idaho'.

**2006.53(a)(6), State Instruction** - issued (using a State Procedure Notice) when it is necessary to 'supplement or clarify' National Instruction or to specifically authorize the handling of local situations. **State Instruction is to follow the same classification and format as National Office Instruction (Attachment 4). State Instruction <u>must</u> always be on yellow paper and filed behind the National Instruction.** 

**2006.53(a)(7), State Procedure Notices (PN's)** - used to transmit announcements, summarize new and revised directives, and issue State Instruction. **State PN's are to follow the format shown in the attached sample (Attachment 3).** State PN's <u>must</u> be filed/maintained in a separate manual. The State PN <u>must</u> be initialed by the person filing the Instruction and include the date of filing.

**2005.53(a)(8), Table of Contents and Checklist** - listings of every current State directive (PN, AN, Instruction) and *must* include the directive's classification, subject, and date of issuance. *The Table of Contents and Checklist of all State directives will be maintained by the Secretary to the State Director and <u>will be issued to all offices at least quarterly.</u>* 

In accordance with 2006.55, **ALL** State issuances (State Administrative Notices, State Procedure Notices and State Instruction) **MUST** be submitted to the National Office for either 'prior approval' or 'post approval' using Form RD 2006-3 (Attachment 1). Where <u>prior approval</u> is required by National Office, states may not issue the directive until National Office approval is received. Directives sent to National Office for <u>post approval</u> are considered approved unless notified of disapproval or conditional approval.

### Persons preparing State AN's are responsible for ensuring that:

- 1- the AN clearly defines the "Implementation Responsibilities" required;
- 2- <u>all</u> the appropriate sections of RD Instruction are referred to in the "Filing Instructions":
- 3- the "Expiration Date" is <u>always</u> THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH, no later than the 12<sup>th</sup> month after issuance (i.e., AN dated June 6, 2004, will expire no later than June 30, 2005);
- 4- the log of AN numbers is completed and the AN number is shown above the date on the letterhead form (see Attachment 2). This log is found in the binder titled 'Listing of Instruction, Administrative Notices and Regulations Updates'.
- 5- Form RD 2006-3 is prepared for necessary prior or post approval by National Office; and
- 6- the AN along with Form RD 2006-3 is submitted to the State Director, **through** the Management Control Coordinator, for review and approval;

### Employees preparing State PN's are responsible for ensuring that:

- 1- the PN clearly summarizes new and/or revised Instruction;
- 2- all the appropriate sections of the Instruction are noted in 'remove' and 'insert';
- 3- the PN is completed in the same format as a National Office Procedure Notice (see sample attached);
- 4- the log of PN numbers is completed and the PN number is shown as indicated on Attachment 3. This log is found in the binder titled 'Procedural Notices Log of Idaho State Procedure Notices'.
- 5- Form RD 2006-3 is prepared for necessary prior or post approval by National Office; and
- 6- the PN <u>and</u> State Instruction along with Form RD 2006-3 is submitted to the State Director, **through** the Management Control Coordinator, for review and approval;

#### After approval by the SD and/or National Office, the responsible individual will:

- 1- issue the State directive (AN, PN or Instruction) via hard copy OR email to each office in Idaho with instructions for distribution;
- 2- provide the Secretary to the State Director (PIC) with an electronic copy (email or disc) for inclusion in Idaho's INTRAnet webpage;

NOTE: If attachments cannot be automated, you must inform the Secretary so that it can be noted in the INTRAnet that the attachments are only available hard copy.

- 3- provide instruction to the Secretary to the State Director (PIC) whether or not the directive should also be placed on the Idaho 'Internet' webpage which can be accessed by the general public; and
- 4- provide a copy of the 'signed' original to the Secretary to the State Director (PIC) for inclusion in the 'official' State Office Procedure Manuals.

Questions regarding these requirements should be directed to Trish Collier, State Civil Rights Manager/Management Control Coordinator, at 1-800-632-5991 Extension 8, or local extension 2048.

MICHAEL A. FIELD State Director

#### Attachments

- 1 Instructions for Form RD 2006-3
- 2 Instructions/Sample for State Administrative Notice
- 3 Instructions/Sample for State Procedure Notice
- 4 Instructions/Sample for State Instruction
- 5 List of Current Working Titles

# Instructions for Form RD 2006-3 (Rev. 11-99)

TO: National Office Division or Staff Director

FROM: Michael A. Field TITLE: State Director STATE: Idaho

SUBJECT: xxxx

ITEM: State Administrative Notice #### or State Instruction #### (include PN #)

DATE: **xxx**, **2004** 

Mark 'post' or 'prior' approval box

SUPPLEMENTS what does it supplement? and when was it dated?

SUPERSEDES what does it superseded? and when was it dated?

ANSWER EACH OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BY NUMBER AS IT APPLIES TO THIS ISSUANCE:

In this area explain the necessity of this issuance. Note any specific or special requests, i.e., need response by a certain date, etc.

# SAMPLE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICE (AN) USE OFFICIAL LETTERHEAD ONLY

		Date, 2004
SUBJECT:		,
ТО:	USDA, Rural Development, Idaho	(Use titles shown in Attachment 5)
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### PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

- Underline heading.
- Explain here why is this AN being issued?
- Explain here what is hoped to be accomplished by this AN?

### COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

- Underline heading.
- Does this AN replace or supplement a previous AN?
  - -If not, you may omit this section or type "No previous AN".
  - -If so, what is the number of the previous AN, dated, and when did/does it expire?
- -Also, if so, why is this change being made? Is this AN being issued because some requirement changed?

### IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Underline heading.
- This section should be in narrative form and should be as detailed as possible.
- What actions need to be taken.
- Who will be responsible for this?
- How will this all be accomplished?
- Who will monitor these actions, i.e., individual or state office staff?
- What reports will need to be submitted to S/O or N/O?
- What deadlines, if any, are established?

MICHAEL A. FIELD - signature of approval official is always at the end of the document. State Director

Attachment - always attachment not enclosure – placed 2 lines after

signature block

FILING INSTRUCTIONS: EXPIRATION DATE: (Must be the last day of the month, but no Preceding RD Instruction #### later than the 12th month after issuance.) (Same # as above date)

Expiration/Filing - Must be on the bottom of the first page

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL DEVELOPMENT Boise, Idaho



ISSUE NO. PN ###

Date, 2004

## PROCEDURE NOTICE

STATE MANUAL CHANGES State RD Ins. ####-#

TITLE OF MANUAL SUBPART. This Instruction is revised as follows:

This is where you give information, clarification, and guidance regarding the State Instruction.

The notation "State Supplement" will be made on the margin of each paragraph of the National Instruction supplemented by this State Instruction.

(This statement MUST be on every Procedure Notice)

REMOVE: INSERT: xxx

- -Be specific as to what pages of previously issued 'State Instruction' are to be removed.
- -List any specific instructions that may be necessary for the filing of the attached State Instruction.
- -If it is a new State Instruction, you would put 'none' in remove.
- -If a State Instruction is being obsoleted, you would put 'all' in remove and 'none' in insert.
- -State Instruction cannot obsolete National Instruction.

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PN ###

# Insert this Instruction behind RD Instruction ####

If the PN is issuing more than one State Instruction, this should just say 'Insert behind the appropriate N/O Instruction'.

# SAMPLE STATE INSTRUCTION

RD Instruction 1951-B Idaho PN 951

PART 1951 – SERVICING AND COLLECTIONS Subpart B – Collections

### 1951.51 General.

This procedure notice supplements RD Instruction 1951, Subpart B, Collections. The purpose of this supplement is to provide guidance on handling and safeguarding collection activities. Wholesale Lockbox Instructions (Exhibit A) and Interim Management Control Procedures-Collections (Exhibit B) are included as part of this supplement.

### 1951.52 Definitions.

- (b) <u>RD field offices</u> are RD area offices and the state office.
- (c) <u>RD field office supervisors</u> are the Area Directors or those authorized to act for them.

### **CURRENT WORKING TITLES**

### **STATE OFFICE**

Michael A. Field State Director

Candy Moore Secretary to the State Director (PIC)

### **Administrative Programs Staff**

Carol Andrew Administrative Programs Director Trish Collier State Civil Rights Manager (MCC) Information Technology Manager Kathy Bashaw Dana Schrader Information Technology Specialist Human Resources Manager Martha Sherwin Human Resources Assistant Kathy Evans-Grover Yvonne Rose Contract Program Manager Barbara Miracle Procurement Technician

### **Housing Programs Staff**

Roni Atkins Housing Programs Director

Steve Malan Review Appraiser

Pam CookGuaranteed Housing SpecialistMyrna KeyesSingle Family Housing SpecialistLaDonn McElligottMulti-Family Housing SpecialistDebra MeyerSingle Family Housing Technician

### **Business & Cooperative Programs Staff**

Daryl Moser Business & Cooperative Programs Director

Rhonda Merritt
Brian Buch
Dale Lish
Margaret Hair
Julia Garrett

Business Programs Specialist
Business Programs Specialist
Business Programs Specialist
Business Programs Specialist
Business Programs Technician

### **Community Programs Staff**

Dan Fraser Community Programs Director

Gary Hayne Civil Engineer
Noel LaRoque Civil Engineer

Cathy Chivers Community Programs Specialist Janus Arnold Community Programs Technician

### Northern Idaho Area Office

Mac Cavasar Area Director

Jeff Beeman Community Programs Specialist Community Programs Specialist Ted Anderson Dora Duran-Williamson Multi-Family Housing Specialist Camille Libby Multi-Family Housing Specialist Howard Lunderstadt Single Family Housing Specialist Denise Sears Single Family Housing Specialist Single Family Housing Specialist Christine Fisher Single Family Housing Specialist Michelle Noordam Single Family Housing Specialist Patty Patoray Single Family Housing Specialist Zeeta Augello Shirley Quakkelaar Community Programs Technician Patty Grant Multi-Family Housing Technician

### Western Idaho Area Office

Stewart Brent Area Director

Community Programs Specialist Dave Flesher Steve Colgrove Multi-Family Housing Specialist Miriam Haylett Multi-Family Housing Specialist Multi-Family Housing Specialist Patti Holbrook Autumn Young Single Family Housing Specialist Single Family Housing Specialist Lisa Allen Thelma Garrison Single Family Housing Specialist Single Family Housing Specialist Lynn Ineck Mari Petrich Single Family Housing Specialist Louise McBride Single Family Housing Specialist Single Family Housing Specialist Nick Partin Multi-Family Housing Technician Jane Johnston Single Family Housing Technician Lucy Navarrete

### **Central Idaho Area Office**

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Terry Stigile Community Programs Specialist Rebecca Dean Multi-Family Housing Specialist LaDeane Brown Single Family Housing Specialist Single Family Housing Specialist Lorry Nickel Judy Bay Single Family Housing Specialist Tony Ballestero Single Family Housing Specialist Diane Shigihara Community Programs Technician Multi-Family Housing Technician Kathy Wilson Mark Johnson Single Family Housing Technician

### **Eastern Idaho Area Office**

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